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On page 1, line 3, change "German Patent 31 31 759 C2" to --German Patent No. 31 31 759--.

On page 2 jine 14, delete "C2".

On page 2, lines 26 and 27, change "known from Unexamined German Patent" to - -described in German Patent No.- -.

On page 2, line 29, change "British Patent" to --British Patent No.--.

On page 3, delete lines 3 and 4 and insert:

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